



A jewel of an urban park since 1788

**LAFAYETTE SQUARE
CONSERVANCY**

NEW ORLEANS FOUNDED 2006

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/FIVE YEAR TIMELINE
2006 ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ | 2011



in the aftermath of **Hurricane Katrina** people join together to help clean-up hurricane debris in **Lafayette Square**

2006

the **Lafayette Square Conservancy**, a partnership between concerned citizens, area residents, the **Dept. of Parks and Parkways** and the **Downtown Development District** is formed and is granted 501(3)(c) status.



the damaged tool shed door is replaced courtesy of **Dial One House of Doors**

seven fallen/hazardous trees are removed by **Parks and Parkways**, the stumps are ground by **Bayou Tree Service** as a donation to the **Conservancy**



the **Conservancy** contracts to have the old irrigation system repaired and made operable



Lafayette Square becomes more dog friendly as pet waste bag dispensers are installed

the **Lafayette Square Conservancy** develops and adopts a five-year master plan to serve as a blueprint for park improvements

2007



a donation from **AT&T**
provides seed money for
supplies and initial projects

a call for volunteers is answered as a cadre of hard workers from all over the city turns out for the first official clean-up/planting day; the flowers (a symbol of the rebirth of the Square) are provided by **Parks and Parkways**



in the first major project undertaken by the **Lafayette Square Conservancy**, the planting beds around the park's three monumental statues are redesigned and replanted giving the Square a fresh, new look

2008

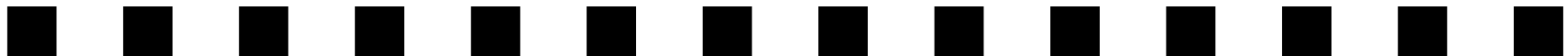


the installation of **Eye Benches IV** by **Louise Bourgeois** and **Bunny** by **Tara Conley** heralds a collaboration with **Sculpture for New Orleans** to exhibit art in the Square

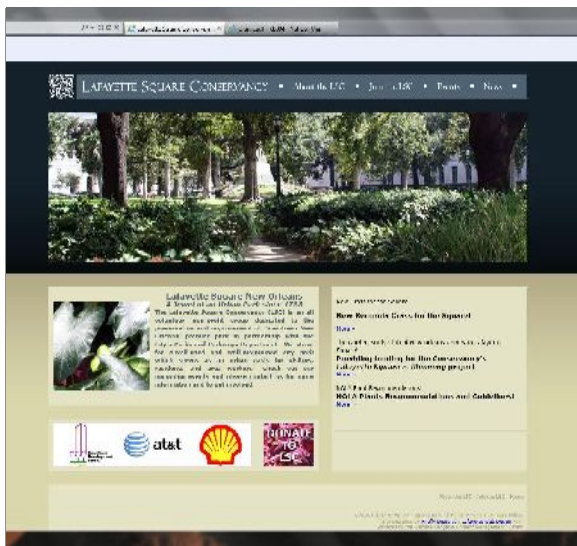
on Earth Day, President **George W. Bush**, Canadian Prime Minister **Stephen Harper** and Mexican President **Felipe Calderon** plant an oak tree in **Lafayette Square** as part of the **North American Leaders' Summit**



a drinking fountain (dog accessible) is purchased and installed for park users thanks to funding from **Shell New Orleans Credit Union**



deteriorated wooden posts surrounding the Square are removed by the **Louisiana Green Corps**; the **Conservancy** contracts with **Vintage Garden** to install 120 new cast iron bollards in a project funded by **Shell, AT&T** and the **Downtown Development District**



the **Conservancy's** website is launched courtesy of design and hosting services provided by **Firefly Digital**

2009



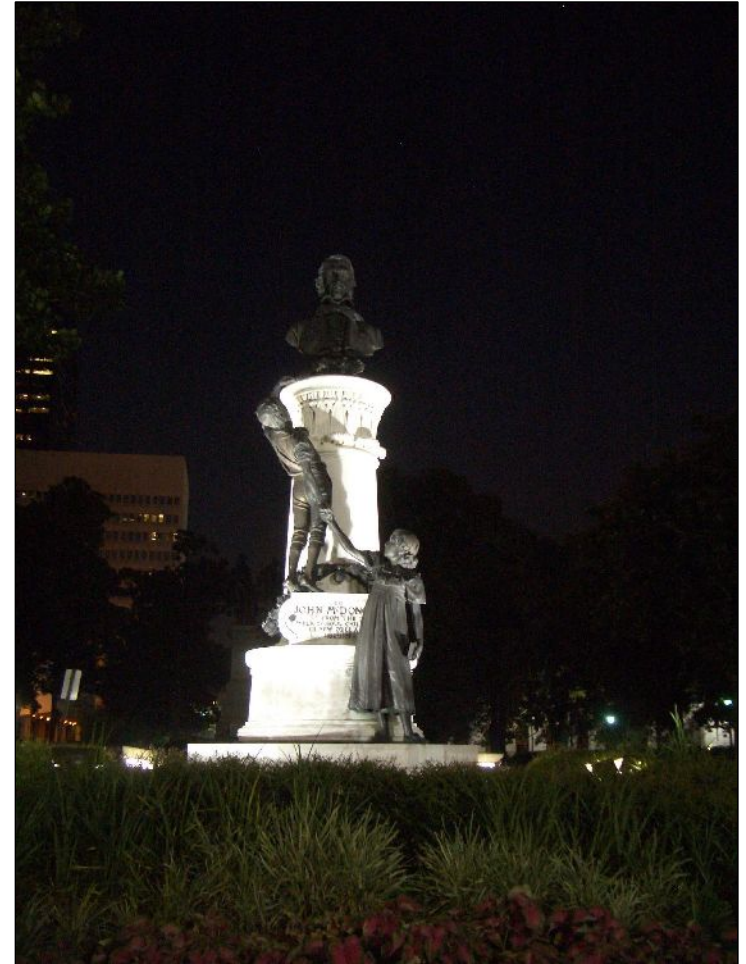
Sculpture for New Orleans exhibits **Flowers for Theresa** by **Aria da Capo**, sponsored by **Dorian Bennett**



as part of on-going efforts to make **Lafayette Square** more inviting, 8 benches donated by the **Downtown Development District** are installed (work done by **Vintage Garden**)



2010



the Square comes to life after dark thanks to grants from **Entergy**, the **United States General Services Administration** and the **Downtown Development District** which fund a project to spot-light the three monuments and up-light the oaks in the four corners of the park (contractor - **WJ Bloecher Company**)



bike racks are installed in partnership with the “where ya rack” project of the **Young Leadership Council**



the **Garden Study Club** awards a grant to plant sasanqua camellias, additional amaryllis and caladiums, the blooms and color adding more seasonal interest to the Square

2011



Ed Renton of State Machinery donates manpower and equipment to complete the turf project by spreading a mountain of mulch (thanks also to **Parks and Parkways**)


Lafayette Square Conservancy contracts with **Vintage Garden** and **Simpson Sod** to prep and replace the Square's worn out turf with new sod thanks to money raised from **StubHub!**, **Warner Brothers** and individual donations; **Parks and Parkways** helps ready the Square by lifting up the tree canopy and removing hazardous trees



Sculpture for New Orleans
exhibits **Arc** by **Bernar Venet** in
the Square



Lafayette Square (September, 2011),
showcasing the many improvements
made to the Square during the first
five years of the **Lafayette Square**
Conservancy



future projects planned by the **Lafayette Square Conservancy** for 2012 and beyond include:

- repair of the broken pavement and replacement of cracked granite pavers
- modifications to improve drainage
- implementation of a turf aeration and fertilization program
- renovation of the North and South Maestri Streets' planting strips
- increased litter pick-up to make the Square the cleanest park in the city
- establishment of a monument restoration and maintenance program and fund
- further implementation of an arboreal care program for the Square's priceless live oaks
- installation of additional amenities (benches, trash receptacles, drinking fountain, etc.) to make the Square more inviting and welcoming to the public
- continued installation of blooming and colorful plant material to provide beauty and seasonal interest and to keep the Square “a jewel of an urban park since 1788” and into the future